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In re Application of :
Hongmei Wang et al :
Application No. 10/751,443 :
Filed: January 6, 2004 :
Attorney Docket No. M4065.0536/P536-B :

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed January 9, 2006, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 in a timely manner to the final Office action mailed June 10, 2005, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. A reply under 37 CFR 1.113 is limited to an amendment that *prima facie* places the application in condition for allowance or a Notice of Appeal (and appeal fee required by 37 CFR 1.17(b)). The amendment submitted on December 12, 2005 did not *prima facie* place the application in condition for allowance as noted in the Advisory Action mailed January 3, 2006. Therefore, as no Notice of Appeal (and appeal fee), Request for Continued Examination (RCE) or a continuing application was timely filed. A three (3) month extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) was obtained. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on December 11, 2005.

The petition satisfies the conditions for revival pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that (1) the reply in the form of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE); (2) the petition fee; and (3) the required statement of unintentional delay have been received. Accordingly, the reply to the final Office action of June 10, 2005 is accepted as having been unintentionally delayed.

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This matter is being referred to Technology Center AU 2814.

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